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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Non-final Office Action mailed January 4, 2007 ("the OA"), Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A response to the Office Action was initially due April 04, 2007. A petition for an extension of time of three months, to July 05, 2007 (July 04, 2007, was a holiday), is attached hereto, along with the required fee. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.